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Case No. 10808/205

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For: NON-VOLATILE SEMICONDUCTOR	)	Not Yet Assigned
MEMORY ELEMENT AND CORRESPONDING	)	
PRODUCTION AND OPERATION METHOD	)	

## **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicants hereby cite the following references:

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US 2002/0105037 A1	08/08/2002	Takahashi
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3,731,163	05/01/1973	Shuskus

For the Examiner's convenience, Applicants are enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet). Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's consideration of the above references and entry thereof into the record of this application.

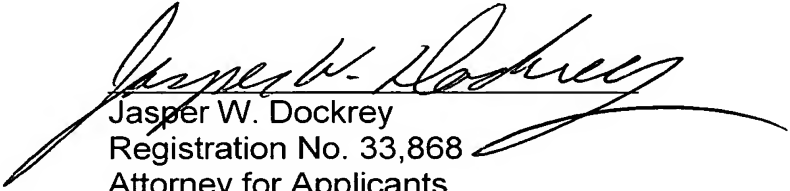
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